

**NEWSLETTER** 

## Councilmember Oliverio serves on the following commissions:

- San Jose 2040 General Update Task Force
- Public Safety, Finance & Strategic Support
- Neighborhood Services & **Education Committee**
- Bicycle and Pedestrian **Advisory Committee**
- Library Commission
- Caltrain Maintenance Facility Oversight Board
- San Jose Arena Authority
- San Jose Sports Authority
- Santa Clara County Cities Association
- Sewer Advisory Board: West Valley Sanitation District & City of San Jose
- SJ/SC Clean Water Financing Authority
- South Bay Recycled Water Liaison Committee
- Traffic Calming Community Meetings

(please see District 6 website for updated list of commissions)



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Dear District 6 Residents.

District 6 has been blessed with many dedicated residents who volunteer their time to provide resources, and events which add to the joy, beauty, and excitement of working, living, and playing in District 6.

Many parents participate in their children's Parent Teacher Association's (PTA's), Little League's as well as other sports, school theater, walk-a-thon's among other activities that raise money and showcase their school spirit. Other residents have formed volunteer groups dedicated to a specific purpose, like the Friends of the San Jose Rose Garden who have provided over 8000 hours of service to the Rose Garden Park and as a result, the park is now off "probation." We also have our business groups like the West San Carlos Business Association who bring us the West San Carlos Jamboree, the Willow Glen Business Association provides Founders Day and for the past two years, the Alameda Business Association has organized a 4th of July parade accompanied with festivities. All of this work is brought to us by committed volunteers.

As we move through summer and approach fall and winter, I encourage you to patronize our local business districts; West San Carlos, The Alameda and Lincoln Avenue for summer treats, taking family out for meals and gifts for anniversaries, birthdays, holidays, etc. Santana Row and Valley Fair have department stores to shop at as well as a variety of other places to visit. Remember, the money you spend in San Jose creates tax revenue for the City. In addition, all of the shopping areas listed here give back to the local community.

http://www.sancarlosstreet.com (West San Carlos Business Association)

http://www.the-alameda.com (The Alameda Business Association)

http://www.downtownwillowglen.org (Willow Glen Business Association)

http://www.santanarow.com (Santana Row)

http://westfield.com/valleyfair (Valley Fair—Westfield)

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## My Blog www.SanJoseInside.com

Every Monday, I post a "blog" titled "City Hall Diary" on San Jose Inside where I write about a variety of different current event issues such as land use, traffic calming, public safety, parks and others. Thus far I have written over 100 posts! Be sure to add <a href="http://www.sanjoseinside.com/sji/blog/pierluigioliverio/">http://www.sanjoseinside.com/sji/blog/pierluigioliverio/</a> to your list of favorites and share your feedback.

Planning & Land Use: Stay Informed
San Jose's location, weather, diverse communities, blend of historic and new neighborhoods, vibrant downtown and small business districts among it's many other assets makes our city a destination point for developers. In an effort to keep you informed, I'm sharing a variety of websites from the Planning Department so that you have access to upcoming and current developments in San Jose.

Planning Calendar

www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/calendar/

**Ordinances and Policies** 

www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/zoning/

**General Plan Update** 

www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/gp\_update/

**Recently Submitted Projects** 

www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/dev\_review/recent.asp

For more information and updates regarding City Planning please visit my website at www.sanjoseca.gov/district6/D6PlanningMtgs.asp

## District 6 Budget Survey Results

One of my favorite TV game shows was the original Family Feud with Richard Dawson. His big line was, "Survey Says!" when the survey answer was shared with the audience.

Prior to the City Council's final vote on the budget, I put together an online budget survey for residents of District 6 and others who live in San Jose. I shared the survey via my weekly blog at <a href="https://www.SanJoseInside.com">www.SanJoseInside.com</a>, Facebook, and via email—with one entry allowed per respondent. I am pleased that my survey received over 700 individual respondents. Thank you to those who engaged. It was long with 100 questions...but then our structural deficit is large, so the survey needed to at least attempt to grasp the entire budget.

The survey is not scientific, but rather to be used as a tool to gauge people's thoughts about the

budget. For example, of the survey respondents 54% were men and 46% were women—which is slightly different then the 2000 census data for District 6, which is 51% male and 49% female. However, I think my questions resonated well with many people and with over 700 respondents I think we can gauge what matters most—at least—to those of us who live in San Jose. A few questions I wanted to highlight. One question that I asked was to rank the following city services/"things" below—1 being the most important, etc...Here are those results:

- 1. Police
- 2. Fire
- 3. Streets (tied w/Sewers)
- 4. Sewers (tied w/Streets)
- 5. Parks (tied w/Libraries)
- 6. Libraries (tied w/Parks)
- 7. Disaster Preparedness
- 8. Code Enforcement
- 9. Planning/Land Use
- 10. Trails



In addition, here are some other interesting results:

88% wanted to outsource/contract out city services to save money

87% wanted to sell one of three city owned golf courses

89% wanted to sell the Hayes Mansion & Conference Center

74% thought labor negotiations should be public meetings instead of private meetings

87% thought all or a portion of tobacco settlement monies (HNVF) should go to the general fund to pay for core services

69% were against raising sales tax to cover the deficit

63% were against spending down fiscal reserves over service cuts

95% thought the recession is not over

If you would like to view all of the 100 questions and responses, please visit my website at www.sanjoseca.gov/district6



## I.O.U.S.A.

#### One Nation. Under Stress. In Debt.

Councilmember Oliverio held a viewing of I.O.U.S.A. on May 4th with the Concord Coalition. Mayor Reed addressed the 180 people who attended the presentation with regards to the City of San Jose budget shortfall. The Concord Coalition is a group comprised of Republicans and Democrats who are trying to find bipartisan ways to work through our national debt. I.O.U.S.A examines the rapidly growing national debt and its consequences for the United States and its citizens. As a preface to our own financial troubles here in San Jose, America, as a nation, must undoubtably mend its spendthrift ways or face an economic disaster. For more info visit www.iousathemovie.com



#### **Libraries**

#### Willow Glen Library

(opening August 23, 2008)

1157 Minnesota Avenue

Mon: 2:00PM-7:00PM

Tues-Wed: 11:00AM-8:00PM

Thurs-Sat: 10:00AM-6:00PM

#### Rose Garden Library

1580 Naglee Avenue (408)808-3070 Mon: 2:00PM-7:00PM Tues-Wed: 11:00AM-8:00PM Thurs-Sat: 10:00AM-6:00PM Sun: 1:00PM-5:00PM

Bascom Library (coming in 2010)

#### **Fire Houses**

House 4

710 Leigh Avenue

House 6

1386 Cherry Avenue

House 7

800 Emory Street

House 10

511 South Monroe Street



## **Community Centers**



Sherman Oaks 1800A Fruitdale Avenue 292-2935

#### Gardner

520 W. Virginia Street 279-1498

#### **Billy DeFrank**

938 The Alameda 293-3040

## Old Hoover

1677 Park Avenue 292-5871

#### Willow Glen

2175 Lincoln Ave. 448-6400

# COUNCILMEMBER OLIVERIO: POLICY UPDATES

## San Jose Fire Department's Continuous Response to the County Jail

The City of San Jose has supported my request to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or an equivalent document regarding the "policies, procedures and protocols" with County of Santa Clara. As was shared before, the SJFD goes to the jail on average once a day and sometimes four times a day. However, the City and County are void of any agreement that dictates a shared policy, protocol or procedure. I am pleased that the discussions between the two agencies are going well and I am hopeful that a document will be secured.

#### **Red Light Running Cameras**

Approximately one-thousand people (including pedestrians) are killed each year involving vehicles running red lights. Therefore, I am pleased to share that San Jose Police Chief Rob Davis as well as the entire City Council has agreed with my request to move forward with a pilot program for red light running cameras to help stop red light running. The pilot project intends to include cameras at approximately six intersections in San Jose and is planned to begin next summer (2010). The cost of the pilot program will be about \$200k.

#### **Neighborhoods of Distinction**

Neighborhood Preservation is a priority for me

I hosted the first District 6 'historic forum' in 2007 to gather concerns, ideas, and suggestions regarding how the City could assist in keeping historic neighborhoods intact, while respecting private property rights. In addition, I hosted a number of other community meetings all across District 6 and created an online survey for residents to share their viewpoints.

During the 2007-2008 fiscal budget discussions, I proposed the allocation of \$50,000, which was supported by my colleagues, for the City to move forward in creating a 'Distinctive Neighborhood Program' in the City of San Jose. As a result of the Council's decision, the Planning Department hosted a number of public meetings to gather community input in creating an effective 'Distinctive Neighborhood Program.' The current 2009-2010 budget allocated \$30,000 to allow the program to move forward.

For the presentation, survey, and more info, please visit <a href="www.sanjoseca.gov/district6/NeighborhoodPreservation.asp">www.sanjoseca.gov/district6/NeighborhoodPreservation.asp</a>

#### City of San Jose Travel Policy

Last year, I asked that the City Manager to update the city employee travel policy so that it included using web based meetings when possible to help cut down the City's travel expenses. I am pleased that the City Manager adopted my request and has updated the policy to include technology as a priority.

#### Park Fees for Affordable Housing

Last year, I wrote a memo indicating that some of the tens of millions of dollars the Housing Department receives should help pay park fees for affordable housing. Currently, affordable housing projects are exempt from paying park fees. I was told that the Housing Department would provide an update in January of this year, but none has been made available to me.

Since I have not heard back regarding the park fee issue, I will be requesting an update from the City Managers office. I will continue to keep you informed. Please visit my website at <a href="https://www.sanjoseca.gov/district6">www.sanjoseca.gov/district6</a>

#### **Railroad Property**

I held a community meeting in May to share with residents that the developer who was negotiating to purchase a portion of the privately held railroad property, which is commonly known as the Willow Glen Spur and Three Creeks Trail, has decided not to move forward and as a result, I am working to find a way to secure more property along the former railroad line for a trail. I want to thank Shawn Milligan and Larry Ames, both long-time Willow Glen residents for their dedication and perseverance to this project.

#### **COMMUNITY UPDATES**

#### Hanchett Park Heritage Project

As you may remember from my Fall/Winter newsletter, available online on my website at <a href="https://www.sanjoseca.gov/district6">www.sanjoseca.gov/district6</a>, I requested funding from the Redevelopment Agency to jumpstart a community project fondly known as "The Pillar Project."

The unveiling of the first recreated historical pillar on The Alameda took place on July 4th. The Pillar is located at the intersection of Hanchett and The Alameda (the corner marked by Pete's Coffee & Rosie's Pizza).

The goal is to build one pilot pillar so that community members see what it could be like to restore all of the original pillars over time. The residents, led by Lori Bird, formed a nonprofit to raise money. This year, they held a successful historical house tour to bring awareness to their efforts and took a large step in their fundraising goals. Another historic home tour is planned for May 2010. Historic heritage is important, especially when it caters to the entire community.

#### Corner of Willow/Lincoln Ave.

Last December, I held a public community meeting regarding the proposed development at the corner of Willow Street and Lincoln Avenue in downtown Willow Glen. The owner of the property is proposing to build a public plaza and companion building at the corner, where the liquor store currently resides. The proposal includes a three-story building with groundfloor retail, 26,000 square feet of office space on the middle and top floors, a twostory public parking structure, a fountain, and open public plaza. A second community meeting will be held, but has not been scheduled yet. Please refer to my website for the current updates:

www.sanjoseca.gov/district6

## Saving Crossing Guards

In March, Councilmember Constant and I authored a memo asking that a small amount of the tobacco settlement money the city receives every year be spent to fund crossing guards. Since 2000, the City of San Jose

receives approximately \$10 million every year from a tobacco settlement. Other cities that receive this funding use it for their core services like public safety, street maintenance, etc. San Jose, on the other hand, created a new group called Healthy Neighborhood Venture Fund (HNVF) in 2000 and gives the millions in HNVF funding to outside groups each year, in addition, we spend about \$1 million on the additional city staff positions to administer the money.

I am a firm supporter of ensuring that the City provides for crossing guards. The Crossing Guard program has been under the direct supervision of the San Jose Police Department since 1945. Crossing guards are essential to providing a safe passage for thousands of children as they walk across busy streets and cross dangerous intersections going to and from school. The uniformed crossing guards are highly appreciated by parents, school personnel and the community at large for being a visible presence on a daily basis during the school vear for commuters and children. addition, crossing guards provide an additional set of "eyes and ears" for suspicious persons, vehicles and/or activity's in our neighborhoods.

The City paid for the crossing guard program through its general fund money this year.

#### **National Night Out**

On August 4th, San Jose will join over tenthousand communities from all fifty states to celebrate the 26th Annual National Night Out. The purpose of the 34 million person nationwide event is to strengthen neighborhood unity.

From 6:00PM to 10:00PM, residents from neighborhoods throughout San Jose will host special events such as block parties, cookouts, ice cream socials, barbecues, and other fun ways to spend an evening outside with your family, friends, and neighbors.

To include your neighborhood in this year's event, please register online by Sunday, July 26th, at <a href="www.sipd.org">www.sipd.org</a>, or by phone by contacting the San Jose Police Department Crime Prevention Unit, at (408)277-4133.

# Rid the City of Back-Room Negotiations

Parts of this article were written on Councilmember Oliverio's SanJoseInside Blog

The term "Meet-and-Confer" is used in reference to discussions that city management has with unions about almost anything.

Once a labor contract is agreed upon, any thought of a change requires a meet-and-confer meeting. It could be a compensation freeze, sick time, vacation time, grievance, health care, retirement, education reimbursement, uniform allowance, time off with pay to conduct union activities, examining the possibility of using a non-union person to provide a city service, or even discussions about future employees who have not been hired yet, etc... So with the current budget deficit, if we want to have a discussion about city staff taking one day off without pay (\$2.88M) to avoid layoffs, then there needs to be a closed-door meeting.

As an elected official, I have absolutely zero knowledge of these meetings except what is paraphrased for me by city management. So there are times where union members have genuine concerns and mention that city management did not answer questions, did not provide data or were playing games. How do I know one way or another what happened, since these meetings are secret? It becomes a he-said-she-said situation and burns everyone's time going back and forth.

More often then not, the Union Business Agent is the person in the closed door meeting. They do not work for the city but are paid by the union to represent and negotiate on behalf of our professional city staff. They are paid from union dues and agency fees that come out of city employees' paychecks. Last year that amount was \$7,164,760.89, and approximately half of that amount can be spent on political campaigns.

It is obvious to me that the closed door "meet and confer" meetings are an unproductive way to do city business. Labor negotiations are a long arduous process. In the past, the city and the unions have both pointed fingers at each other. Perhaps if these meetings were discussed in public, then there would be no finger-pointing. In the era of sunshine, maybe we should consider making these meetings public, as is done in other parts of the country. It would be interesting to know, for example, the full dollar amounts on proposals from each side through each stage of the negotiation, prior to final agreement.

If the city was being unfair, then everyone would know. If labor was asking too much, or they had good points about cost-of-living adjustments or worker safety then we would know. With the bankruptcy of our neighbor, Vallejo, it seems like we should shine more light on collective bargaining, or, at least, the city should provide some type of summary of the negotiations to the public at an earlier time. If allowing the public to view the negotiations in real time would harm privacy, then, perhaps, the negotiations should be taped on video and shown after the agreement has been reached. The negotiations could be viewable on the internet or Channel 26. That way, the public would at least get to see what took place.

In the end, the council will vote on compensation and benefit increases. However, the council members today will be long gone when the aggregate effect of their votes impacts the budget and neighborhood services. If decisions are made behind closed doors without public scrutiny, then it is easier to make unrealistic financial choices. Making negotiations public will not take anything away from workers or make negotiations a game of "winners" and "losers." People need to be paid a good wage with good benefits; we just need to make sure the City can afford it.

With a total compensation of \$815 million and a General Fund of just over \$1 billion we need to let the taxpayers know what is going on behind closed doors otherwise they will not support tax increases to provide city services. Perhaps residents of San Jose should be allowed to vote on this topic?

# **Update on Fresh and Easy Grocery Store**

Due to the current economy, Fresh & Easy has postponed the opening of any new stores in Northern California. Two locations in Willow Glen include the former Albertsons at Bird and Minnesota and the current Safeway at the corner of Alamden Expressway and Curtner.

## Valley Fair Mall

Construction has been postponed indefinitely at the Westfield Valley Fair Mall. In addition, revised mall hours have been put into effect: Monday-Friday 10:30AM-9:00PM, Saturday 10:00AM-9:00PM, Sunday 11:00AM-6:00PM.

#### Public Safety #'s

#### **Police & Fire Department**

911=Emergency

311=Non-Emergency

**PG&E Power Outage** 

(800)743-5000

County Emergency

Services

808-7800

**Emergency Services Dept.** 

277-4595

#### <u>City/Community</u> Resource Numbers

City Hall Call Center

535-3500

**Airport Noise Hotline** 

452-0707

**Animal Services** 

578-7297

**CEMOF** 

(877)433-0300 **Code Enforcement** 

277-4528

**Environmental Services** 

535-8550

Fraud & Audit

Whistleblower Hotline

535-8200

Parks & Recreation

35-3570

Parks Maintenance

535-3570

**Planning Dept** 

535-3555

Recycling & Garbage

535-3515

Rose Garden Library

808-3070

Senior Assistance

297-0355

Sidewalk Grant Repair

277-3158

Street Light Repair

277-5517

**Street Maintenance** 

277-4373

Street Sweeping

277-2571

Street Tree Permits

277-276

Willow Glen Senior

Center

448-6400

## District 6 Residents: Working hard at the City of San Jose







Listed are City employees, who are District 6 residents, living, working, and playing in San Jose.

Debra Figone (City Manager), Abi Maghamfar (Redevelopment Agency), Katy Allen (Public Works), Bill Halleck (Public Works), Lisa Herrick (City Attorney's Office), Hans Larsen (Department of Transportation, and Manuel Pineda (Department of Transportation)











## Friends of the San Jose Rose Garden

With the hard work and dedication of hundreds of volunteers, the San Jose Municipal Rose Garden has yet again turned over another leaf. After years of neglect and poor maintenance, the Friends of the San Jose Rose Garden and city staff have restored the garden to its former glory with over 8,000 volunteer hours and 800 donated roses. On May 2nd, volunteers joined Chuck Reed, Mayor of San Jose, Tom Curruth, President of the All-America Rose Selections, former Councilmember David Pandori, and me, to re-dedicate and celebrate the renewal of this historic garden. In addition to its recent re-dedication, the San Jose Rose Garden has also received the distinct honor of acting as a 'test garden' for the All American Rose Selections (AARS). With only twenty-three test gardens in the United States, and two in California, the Rose Garden is now home to twenty-eight

new hybrid varieties—still not yet available to the public. For more information about the Friends of the San Jose Rose Garden and upcoming volunteer opportunities and trainings, please visit their website at www.friendssjrosegarden.org



## Naglee Avenue Sewer Project

The City of San Jose Department of Public Works will start construction in

late June on a sanitary sewer improvement project in the Rose Garden area. The project will involve replacing and rehabilitating 5,300 feet of aging sewer pipes to improve flow and reduce sewer blockages. Construction will take place starting late June till October, affecting Naglee Avenue from Bascom Avenue to Chapman Street, and Chapman Street from Naglee Avenue to Hedding Street. Please expect some temporary-partial lane closures and uniformed police officers directing traffic at signalized intersections. Residents will be informed 24 hours in advance of any temporary on-street parking restrictions and 48 hours notice for requests to temporarily suspend use of washing machines, showers, etc... while sewer repair work is underway near your property. For project questions and concerns please contact my office at (408)535-4906 or Project Manager, Julia Nguyen, at (408)975-7461.

#### FLOW the Film

On September 21st, The Sierra Club, Santa Clara Valley Water District and I will host a showing of the award-winning documentary "FLOW." Held from 6:45pm to 9:00pm in the City Council Chambers (200 E. Santa Clara Street), the film investigates what experts label as the most important political and environmental issue of the 21st Century—The World Water Crisis. Interviews with scientists and activists intelligently reveal the rapidly building crisis, at both the global and human scale. Seating is limited, so if you would like to attend this event, please RSVP at Pierluigi.Oliverio@sanjoseca.gov







Honoring Karen Allyn, the first woman firefighter in San Jose, is Deputy Chief Dana Reed, Chief Darryl VonRaesfeld, Captain Jose Chavez, Battalion Chief Karen Allyn, Battalion Chief Ruben Torres, and Captain Jose Guerrero

Councilmember Oliverio and the District 6 Bowling for Badges Team at Bowling for Badges Police Foundation Fundraiser Event (above: photo courtesy of Sherry Tesler Photography)

Councilmember Oliverio and Dr. Nancy McCall at a new senior housing opening—Dr. McCall delivered Pierluigi 39yrs ago at San Jose Hospital (right)







Tom Rudy and Rosemary Bertoldo at Dancing on the Avenue in Willow Glen (above) Temple Emanu-El's Choir and the River Glen Estudiantina gave the innovation at two of the City Council Meetings (both below)





Councilmember Oliverio and the San Jose City Council recognize Battalion Chief Karen Allyn's (the first female firefighter for San Jose) 28 years of dedication and service as she leaves for retirement (above)

Paul & Natalie Mathison (left), Tracie Torchio and son, Dominick (right), Greg and Tonia Charles and their children, Sarah and David (bottom left)









Councilmember Oliverio with Rev. Dr. Ken Henry (from Stone Church of Willow Glen) who shared a prayer at the Rainbow Flag Raising Ceremony (with Mayor Chuck Reed) at City Hall (above), Councilmember Oliverio and Rabbi Joshua Berkenwald of Congregation Sinai who gave an invocation at City Hall (left)

# District 6 Events

Mark your calendar! Be sure to check the website for additional dates and information on "Community Events & Meetings" at sanjoseca.gov/district6

## JULY

#### 18

Fire Station 4 Open House www.sanjoseca.gov/district6

## 18

Christmas in July Fundraiser www.christmasinthepark.com

## 18 (every Sat)

Downtown Willow Glen Farmer's Market 8:30AM-12:30PM Behind the Garden Theatre www.downtownwillowglen.org

## 9,16,23,30

Music in the Glen www.downtownwillowglen.org

#### 25

Willow Glen Sidewalk Sale www.downtownwillowglen.org

## 26

Founder's Day Fandango www.historysanjose.org'

## **AUGUST**

## 3-7

Willow Glen Children's Theater Camp in a Nutshell www.sanjoseca.gov/prns

#### 4

Rose Garden Ice Cream Social www.rgnpa.org

#### 4

National Night Out www.sanjoseca.gov/district6

## 6 & 13

Music in the Glen www.downtownwillowglen.org

## 7-9

AT&T San Jose Jazz Festival www.sanjosejazz.org

## 9

Day of Remembrance www.historysanjose.org

#### 22

Electronic Waste Recycling www.earthcarerecycling.com

#### 28

COUNCILMEMBER
OLIVERIO's 3rd Annual Safety
Fair and Outdoor Movie
(featuring WALL-E)
6:00PM-9:00PM
Willow Street/Frank Bramhall
Park

www.sanjoseca.gov/district6

## 29-30

Italian Family Festa http://www.iahfsj.org/

## SEPTEMBER

#### *5*-7

34th Annual Tapestry Arts Festival www.tapestryarts.org

## 5

Rose Garden Volunteer Day www.friendssjrosegarden.org

## 6

Powell's Sweet Sunday Kid's Flea Market www.powellssss.com

#### 21

COUNCILMEMBER OLIVERIO'S showing of FLOW: The Movie www.sanjoseca.gov/district6

#### 26

Willow Glen Founder's Day and Parade www.downtownwillowglen.org/

## **OCTOBER**

## 3

COUNCILMEMBER
OLIVERIO'S
Redevelopment Agency
Discussion Forum
10:30AM-Noon
WG Library Community Room

## 4

Rock 'N Roll Marathon <a href="http://www.rnrsj.com/">http://www.rnrsj.com/</a>

Lincoln Homecoming www.sjusd.org/school/lincoln

#### IO

Booksin Walk-A-Thon www.sjusd.org/school/booksin

#### IO

Pumpkins in the Park www.grpg.org/PIP

## 17, 24, 31

Winchester Mystery House Flashlight Tour www.winchestermysteryhouse.co m

## 25

Silicon Valley Marathon www.svmarathon.com

#### 31

Books for Treats www.downtownwillowglen.org

#### 31

Haunt the Hollow www.historysanjose.org

Willow Glen High School Homecoming www.sjusd.org/sites/high/Willow GlenHigh/

City Hall Stair Challenge www.sanjoseca.gov/district6

#### NOVEMBER

Del Mar Homecoming <a href="http://www.delmar.cuhsd.org">http://www.delmar.cuhsd.org</a>

Santana Row Tree Lighting <a href="http://www.santanarow.com/">http://www.santanarow.com/</a>

Downtown Ice Opens www.sjdowntown.com

City of San Jose Tree Lighting www.sjdowntown.com

## 29

San Jose's Birthday www.historysanjose.org

## **DECEMBER**

Willow Glen Tree Lighting www.downtownwillowglen.org/

Alameda Tree Lighting Ceremony www.the-alameda.com

## 6

City of San Jose's Holiday Parade www.sanjoseca.gov/district6

West San Carlos Santa's Club <a href="https://www.sancarlosstreet.com">www.sancarlosstreet.com</a>

## 11-28

Ballet San Jose's The Nutcracker www.balletsanjose.org

## **Photos from the Front Page**

(top row) Councilmember Oliverio at the Rose, White, and Blue parade; (second row) Residents of College Park Scott Soper, Betty, and Teresa Soper; Mary Sanchez: Mary's parents opened the 1st Mexican Fast Food Restaurant—Las Palmas Taco Bar on The Alameda in 1956; Krista and her daughter Alyssa Kalvo at the 4th of July Parade; (third row) Betty, dogs Emma and Liam, and Carol: Betty's house turns 100 years old next year!; Councilmember Oliverio, Former City of San Jose Mayor Janet Gray Hayes, and Dr. Kenneth Hayes; (fourth row) Cory Neighborhood Residents: Miley, Melissa, Tre, Maisy and Anne-Louise; Rose Garden Volunteers, Natsuki and daughter Mion, at the Rose, White, and Blue Parade.